Lyme - Jane Ingalls Davison, 90, an avid supporter of High Hopes Therapeutic Riding and devoted educator and community volunteer, died at her home in Lyme surrounded by her family on Monday, Dec. 26, 2016.

She was born in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1926, the second of five children, to parents Louise H. and David S. Ingalls. Her father was the nation’s first and only Naval Ace from World War I. In 1947, she graduated from Vassar College with a degree in physiology and briefly taught school before her marriage to securities lawyer, Endicott Peabody Davison, "Cottie," in 1948. Both she and her husband were licensed private pilots. Her husband died in 1996.

As an educator, she started the TinkerBell School, a preschool in New Canaan, which ran for over 10 years. She also coached field hockey and taught at the New Canaan Country Day School until her retirement in 1979. She moved to Lyme in 1980, and over the years, was active as a volunteer and board member at both the Lyme Land Conservation Trust and High Hopes, where she served for 27 years. Known to her family and friends as "Jammy", she is best remembered for her extraordinary energy, devotion to family, and generous and fun-loving nature. She played the accordion and loved to take family canoe trips. The many poems she wrote and shared at family gatherings are legendary for the joy she expressed toward those around her and her deep love of the natural world.

She is survived by four children, Endicott Peabody Jr. of Boothbay Harbor, Maine, Jane of Geneva, N.Y., David Ingalls of Seattle, Wash., and Malcolm Peabody of Atlanta, Ga.; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Her first child, F. Trubee, died at an early age.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Jan. 28, 2017, at The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be sent to High Hopes Therapeutic Riding, The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme or to The Lyme Land Conservation Trust, Inc.

To share a memory of Jane or send a condolence to her family please visit www.rwwfh.com.

Arrangements by the Robinson, Wright & Weymer Funeral Home in Centerbrook.

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